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As we begin our twelfth year of gladiolus growing, we believe we are including in our 1946 list the finest selection of varieties we have ever offered. Each year we try out most of the promising new kinds, but we do not list them until they have proven themselves in our garden except a few which are popular in spite of their shortcomings - these we list along with their faults as they grow here.

We try to concentrate mostly on those varieties that are good cut-flowers. Altho many of the darker colors and smokies are not suitable commercials, they may be useful for certain local outlets. From our own garden we sell mostly to local florists, and we find them always interested in new varieties showing promise in floral work. They use a lot of whites, pinks, and other pastels, but use many other colors too, including some odd colors and smokies which are called for by some of their customers.

We are introducing only two new varieties this year, both of which have been tested for several years. HAVANA is a very interesting novelty, and RED CHERRY an early light red cutflower. Don't overlook our premium varieties, GAVOTTE and JUNE DAY, which are offered free with orders of \$5 and \$15 respectively. On late orders we may have to substitute bulbs of other good seedlings.

1946 INTRODUCTIONS

HAVANA...A medium sized ruffled novelty in shades of bronze. Six 4-4½ inch heavily ruffled florets open on a straight fairly tall spike; medium flowerhead. Color is bronze brown shading lighter in the center; small reddish blotches on a bright orange throat. Will fade in hot sun about like Vagabond Prince - should be cut when one or two florets are open. Good propagator, fair germinator; quite an early bloomer. 390 class. Parentage, Nelda x Vagabond Prince, formerly seedling 1119-1. Bulbs, Large \$3.00, Medium \$2.50. No bulblets this year.

RED CHERRY...An early blooming light red or cherry red shading slightly darker in the throat. Six 5-inch florets open at once on a tall straight spike. Reliable grower, and a good propagator of bulblets which germinate easily. Facing and placement good, rather informal. Blooms in about 70 days. 450 color class. Parentage, Picardy x Tip Top, formerly seedling 7-5. Bulbs, Large \$4.00, Medium \$3.00. No blts this year.

TERMS OF SALE: Retail orders of \$2.00 or more will be prepaid anywhere in the U.S. All bulbs are priced per each, unless otherwise noted. 12 bulbs sold for 10 times the price of a single bulb, with 6 or more at the 12 rate. No single item less than .15¢, please. Delivery will be made beginning about the latter part of March, or as soon as safe from danger of freezing. Our bulbs are guaranteed to be true-to-name, and free from thrips and disease. All stock offered subject to prior sale; many kinds will be sold out early this year. Due to planting schedule we do not solicit bulblet orders after April 1, nor bulb orders after April 15. Bulb sizes: L (Large) are sizes 1 & 2 assorted, M (Medium) sizes 3 & 4 assorted, S (Small) sizes 5 & 6 assorted. Our usual extras on all orders, and generous overcount or oversizing if stock is available. If you wish to send us a list of varieties from which to select extras, we will do our best to comply with your wishes, stock permitting. We do not issue a wholesale list.

GENERAL RETAIL LIST:

ABE (Ellis) (L) Tall slender salmon-orange. Reliable cut flower but should be planted early to escape frost. A much improved Nuthall. L .10, M .07 (Blts 100-.50)

ALADDIN (Palmer) (M) Huge reddish salmon with cream throat. Not very tall. L .10, M .07, (Bulblets 100 for .40)

ALGONQUIN (Palmer) (M) Bright scarlet red with good commercial habits; a favorite. L .10 M .06

ARDENT (Mitsch) (M) Tall strong growing red that has been overlooked by many growers. Husky stem, good habits. Fine cutflower. L .12 M .07 S .04 (Blts 100 for .40)

ATLAS (Pfizer) (E) Dark blue; an improvement over Aida. Earlier and a little darker than Blue Admiral. A few crooks but mostly good. M .10 S .07 (Blts 100-.50)

BADGER BEAUTY (Krueger) (EM) Fine lavender, and earlier to bloom than most in this color. M .15 S .10

BALLAD (Palmer) (EM) Attractive ruffled creamy pink, 5-6 open. O.K. M .25 S .15 (Blts 15-.25, 100-\$1.00)

BEAUTY CLYNIC (Wilson) (EM) A pretty light salmon, rather short stem. M .30 S .15 (Blts 10-.30, 100-\$2.50)

BELLA DONNA (Pfizer) (E) Along with Blue Beauty one of the best and most reliable light blues; think maybe this has best color. L .10 M .06 S .03 (Blts 100-.30)

BLUE ADMIRAL (Christ) (EM) Old but still about the best dark blue. Tall; not a fast prop. L .15 M .10

BLUE BEAUTY (Pfizer) (E) Larger than Bella Donna; little darker color. Strong grower, good propagator but only fair germinator. L .12 M .07 S .04 (Blts 100-.50)

BOLEFO (Leffingwell) (M) A unique novelty; ruffled smoky-orange. M .15 S .07 (Blts 15-.25, 100-\$1.50)

BUCKEYE BRONZE (Wilson) (M) Attractive bronze-rose that was extra fine here last summer; made fine spikes. L .25 M .15 S .08 (Blts 100-.35, 1000-\$2.50)

BURGUNDY (Scheer) (M) Ruffled red. M .40 S .25

BURMA (Palmer) (M) Wonderful deep rose red, heavily ruffled florets; distinctive and beautiful color. L 1.00 M .75 S .50 (Blts 4-.25, 50-\$2.50)

CAPISTRANO (Hatch) (M) Ruffled light orange. Beautiful florets but seems to have a weak stem and attachment not the best. M .40 S .25 (Blts 10-.60, 50-\$2.00)

CHAMOUNY (Baerman) (EM) Beautiful shade of rose, shading lighter in throat. M .12 (Blts 40-.50)

CORAL GLOW (Ellis) (M) One of the most beautiful shades of orange but fades some in hot sun. Some spikes come stubby; many fine. M .07 S .04 (B 100-.40, 1000-\$3)

CORONA (Palmer) (M) Fine large creamy white splashed rose at edges. Strong grower, fine propagator. Becoming very popular. L .15 M .10 S .06 (B 100-.40, 1000-\$3)

COUTTS' ORCHID (Coutts) (M) Pretty orchid pink, large cream throat. This seems to get better each year and is much admired by visitors. M .70 S .40 (B 10-.75)

CRIMSON TIDE (Roberts) (M) Heavily ruffled crimson red with white midribs and some white in center. 4 to 6 large stiff-petaled florets open on tall strong stem. Really different, no other red like it. Fair propagator but germination not too good. L \$2.50 M \$2 S \$1.25

CRINKLE CREAM (Ellis) (M) Fine light yellow; tall, quite large. A little deeper than Oregon Gold. 5 open, and florets nicely frilled. L .75 M .50 S .35 (B 10-.50)

DONNA (Pruitt) (M) Ruffled golden buff; an improved Wasaga. Tall, slender. L .10 M .06 S .04 (Blts 50-.25)

EARLY DAFFODIL (Bennett) (VE) Earliest light yellow, best yellow for first bloom. L .12 M .07 S .04 (B 40-.25)

ELIZABETH THE QUEEN (White) (M) Pretty lavender, hardly tall enough. L .35 M .25 S .12 (B 15-.25, 100-\$1.50)

FIRST LADY (Roberts) (M) Nicely ruffled medium pink with small cream throat. Tall strong grower; more reliable producer of good spikes than its parent, Wings of Song. Some flecking, and an occasional slight kink in the stem altho I have never seen a really crooked spike. Local florists like it very much as a cutflower. L \$1.50 M \$1. S .75 (Blts 8-\$1, 25-\$2.75, 50-\$5.00)

FLYING FORTRESS (Wilson) (M) Huge lavender-gray with small red blotch. A striking novelty; very popular with visitors. M 1.00 S .50 (Blts 10-\$1.00)

FRANCES M. IRWIN (Wilson) (M) An unusual purplish-rose that most people like. Said to grow short in some places but tall enough here. M .10 S .05 (B 100-.40)

GAVOTTE (Roberts) New frilled light pink of New Era coloring. Good propagator, good cut flower habits; makes nice bulbs. Premium variety for 1946 - one large or medium bulb of Gavotte given free with early orders of \$5 or more from this list. Later orders will receive some other good seedling if we run out of Gavotte. Not for sale until 1947.

GAYWAY (Wheeler) (E) Medium sized bright orange with yellow throat. Very bright. M .07 (Blts 50-.25)

GLAMIS (Palmer) (EM) Beautiful ruffled pink, 5-6 open. Tall enough here, and for color and ruffling is hard to beat. L .25 M .20 S .12 (Blts 15-.25, 100-\$1.00)

GOLDEN CHIMES (Ellis) (EM) Old time light yellow, some crooks; ruffled. L .10 M .06 (Blts 100-.40)

GOLDEN STATE (Wheeler) (M) Medium yellow, faint red lines. Quite tall, good color; an improvement in the yellows. M .75 S .45 (Blts 10-\$1.00)

GRAND MASTER (Zimmer) (EM) Deep rose red, similar to Leona but a little brighter. Many open, some short flowerheads. M .07 S .04 (Blts 100-.40, 1000-\$3.00)

GRETA GARBO (Pfizer) (M) Fine tall creamy pink, some marvelous spikes. L .15 M .10 S .07 (Blts 50-.35)

HAVANA (Roberts) See 1946 Introductions.

H. B. PITTS (Both) (EM) Light salmon pink, not always reliable in making good spikes as some come stubby. L .30 M .20 S .12 (Blts 15-.25, 100-\$1.00)

HIGH FINANCE (Wilson) (M) Huge prize-winning smoky; a sort of lavender and tan combination, considered by many to be the most beautiful smoky. Very fine here last summer. L .20 M .12 S .08 (B 20-.25, 100-\$1.00)

IVORY KEYS (Ellis) (M) One of the best white cutflowers. Large, several open. L .12 M .07 (Blts 100-.40)

JACK POT (Wilson) (M) One of the darkest smokies. Those who like the somber shades should like this one. M .45 S .20 (Blts 10 for .40)

JEANIE (Pruitt) (EM) Tall willowy pink, yellow throat. Bulbs are rather rough looking but bloom well. L .12 M .08 S .05 (Blts 50-.25, 100-.40)

JULES AMOTT (Wilson) (EM) Good cutflower red, one that many growers have overlooked. Tall, straight, many open. Makes good healthy bulbs and lots of bulblets. L .12 M .07 S .04 (Blts 100-.40, 1000-\$3.00)

JUNE DAY (Roberts) (VE) The earliest pink - medium light pink with small cherry blotches. Not quite as large as Sonatine but opens twice as many at once. The only pink I know that blooms as early as Gold Dust, Polar Ice and Early Daffodil; surely a coming commercial. 6-8 open on a tall willowy stem, about 4½ inch florets. Premium variety for 1946 - one medium bulb of June Day given free with each order for \$15 or more from this list. Not for sale until 1947 or possibly 1948.

KING CLICK (Wilson) (M) Large tall red, color about like Algonquin. Fine. L .25 M .12 S .06 (B 15-.25, 100-\$1.50)

KING MIDAS (Herridge) (EM) One of the best yellows; good cutflower here. Deep golden yellow, sturdy stem. Florets not large but opens 7-8 at once. Good propagator. L .12 M .07 S .04 (Bulblets 100 for .40)

KING WILLIAM (Schenetsky) (M) Tall light pink or pale salmon, a little deeper than G. Garbo. One of the best as it grows here. L .12 M .07 S .04 (Blts 100 for .50)

LADY JANE (Lake) (M) Light yellow or deep cream, good for cutting. M .10 S .05 (Blts 100-.50, 1000-\$4.00)

LA FIESTA (Salbach) (EM) True orange; rather small but opens a nice ribbon of color on a tall willowy stem. L .10 M .06 S .03 (Bulblets 100 for .40)

LANTANA (Palmer) (E) Pretty combination of orange and yellow, med. ht. M .25 S .15 (Blts 10-.25, 100-\$2.00)

LARIME (Wilson) (EM) Good new exhibition orange, deeper blotch. A very striking and showy variety. Very fine propagator. L \$1 M .75 S .50 (Blts 10-.75, 50-\$3.00)

LEADING LADY (Johnston) (M) A cream Picardy with most of Picardy's good points and few of its bad habits so far, apparently. M .40 S .25 (Blts 10-.50, 100-\$4.00)

LEONA (Pruitt) (ML) Deep rose red. S .03 (Blts 100-.40)

MAHASKA (Roberts) (ML) Tall deep salmon which was our premium variety last year. Usually a good performer, have had many good reports on this - and a few that were unfavorable. Good propagator and germinator; priced very reasonably for a new variety.
L .50 M .35 S .25 (Blts 10-.40, 100-\$3.00)

MALTA (Palmer) (EM) Bright rose; a color that is much admired but floret attachment rather loose. Tall strong grower. L .35 M .25 S .15 (B 15-.25, 100-\$1.50)

MARGARET BEATON (Twomey) (M) Famous white, small red blotch. Has its faults: some crooks and stubby spikes, still popular. L .10 M .06 S .03 (B 100-.40, 1000-\$3)

MARGUERITE (Pommert) (EM) Nice pink, cream throat. 4-5 open. L .15 M .10 S .07 (Bulblets 50 for .35)

MARION PEARL (Benedict) (M) Fluorescent pink. M .75 S .50

MARSEILLAISE (Scheer) (ML) One of my favorite reds, a brilliant color and a fine spike. Does as well or better than Stoplight here; latter may be more reliable some places. L .30 M .20 S .15 (B 10-.25, 50-\$1)

MATOAKA (Brauer) (EM) Best black-red with me, altho some spikes have wide placement. Tall, large; produces bulblets in good quantity but germination only fair.
M .10 S .07 (Bulblets 50 for .40)

MOTHER KADEL (Kadel) (EM) M .12 S .07 (B 20-.25, 100-\$1.00)

MYRNA (Pruitt) (EM) Ruffled creamy white. Makes many short stubby spikes, but averages good enough to remain quite popular. L .15 M .10 S .07 (Blts 50 for .25)

MYSTERY (Perry-Lee) (M) Promising blotched light pink. Tall, 7-8 open. M 1.50 S 1.00 (Blts 2-.50, 5-\$1.00)

NELDA (Ellis) (EM) Interesting ruffled smoky, red blotch. Stock scarce. L .50 M .35 S .20 (Blts 10 for .50)

OGARITA (Willson) (ML) Big coarse pink, throat markings. I like Marguerite better altho this is bigger. Very popular for exhibition. M .20 (Blts 15-.25, 50-.70)

OHIO NONPARIEL (Wilson) (M) Large tall red, good commercial habits. L .25 M .12 S .07 (Blts 15-.25, 100-\$1)

OREGON GOLD (Majeski) (ML) Light yellow, 7-9 open, tall. Not too late here. M .15 S .10 (Blts 10-.25, 50-\$1)

PACIFICA (Wheeler) (EM) A very nice white that seems better than some other highly publicized whites and creams. Good prop. L .25 M .15 S .08 (Blts 50-.40)

PURPLE BEAUTY (Roozen) (M) One of the most beautiful for color; not as many open as Purple Supreme. Large round florets. L .15 M .10 S .07 (Blts 50 for .25)

PURPLE SUPREME (Wilson) (ML) Probably the best purple considering its fine commercial habits, fluorescence and good color. Tall grower, good propagator; makes fine bulbs. M .30 S .15 (Blts 10-.25, 100-\$2.00)

RED CHARM (Butt) (EM) Fine medium deep red, excellent cutflower. L .25 M .15 S .10 (Blts 15-.20, 100-\$1)

RED CHERRY (Roberts) See 1946 Introductions.

RIO RITA (Lins) (ML) Popular dark orange, blotched deeper. L .35 M .25 S .15 (Blts 10-.35, 50-\$1.00)

ROSE DEFIANT (Wilson) (M) Nearly a clear dark rose, slight smoky undertone. A distinctive color, popular with garden visitors. M .15 S .08 (B 10-.35, 50-\$1)

SEPTEMBER WHITE (Graetz) (ML) Tall white, very good for cutting in mid-late season. Good propagator.
L .10 M .06 S .03 (Blts 100 for .40)

SILENTIUM (Pfizer) (EM) White with small feather, medium size and height. L .15 M .10 S .07 (B 20-.25, 100-\$1)

SILVER WINGS (Ritsema) (EM) New white sport of Picardy. Looks good. M 4.00 S 3.00 (Blts 10-\$4.00, 25-\$8.00)

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SNOWSHEEN (Snyder) (M) Tall slender medium sized white; very clean pure color, informal placement. A winner at the shows in 300 class. M .25 S .15 (Blts 20-.25)

SNOW WHITE (Palmer) (EM) Good white; scarce. S.15

SOUTHERN DRAMA (Wilson) (M) Bright orange-scarlet, often has narrow border of slate blue. An unusual color, medium ht. M .30 S .20 (Blts 10-.40, 50 for \$1.50)

STOPLIGHT (Lins) (M) Brilliant scarlet red; promising commercial variety. Tall spike, medium sized florets; about 5 open. L .20 M .15 S .10 (B 10-.20, 100-\$1.25)

SUN SPOT (Roberts) (EM) Light apricot-buff with rose spot in the throat. A unique color that everyone likes. 7 to 9 five-inch flowers open at once on a tall spike that is always straight. Only seen at two or three shows so far - has won in its class each time. M \$3.00 S \$2.00 (Blts 3 for \$1.00, 10 for \$2.50)

TECUMSEH (Palmer) (M) A very interesting novelty; light smoky gray-tan with small rosy blotch. Florets ruffled and laciniated. M .35 S .25 (Blts 10-.25, 50-\$1)

VALERIA (Pruitt) (E) Soft yet bright scarlet; tall stout stem. Quite a good propagator but bulblets don't all germinate. L .20 M .15 (Blts 50-.25)

VISTA BONITA (Ellis) (M) Large tall pink; not all spikes good but averages pretty good; useful cutflower here. Good prop. L .10 M .06 S .03 (Blts 100 for .40)

VULCAN (Stevens) (EM) A beautiful shade of purple, more on the red side than most others. Large round florets, has always been a dependable performer with me; should become very popular. M .25 S .15 (Blts 10-.25, 50-\$1)

WHITE EAGLE (Ellis) (M) Frilled creamy white. Tall stem, med. flowerhead. M .25 S .15 (B 10-.35, 50-\$1.25)

WHITE GOLD (Scheer) (EM) Large tall cream with deeper throat. Heavy stems that may fall over unless planted deep. A very popular variety, but often comes with short heads for me. M .20 S .10 (B 15-.25, 100-\$1.25)

WINGS OF SONG (Ellis) (M) Deep pink with cream throat. A rather erratic grower but can be extra fine with 8-10 open. L .10 M .06 S .03 (Bulblets 100 for .40)

WINSTON (Palmer) (M) Dainty medium sized ruffled cream; informal placement, quite tall. Best of Picardy x Wasaga seedlings. L.20 M.12 S.07 (B 25-.20, 100-.75)

YELLOW PERIL (Ellis) (ML) Rich deep golden yellow; one of the best for color but flowerheads not too long. Tall, 6-7 open. L.12 M.07 S.05 (Blts 50 for .25)

OUR LOCATION

We are located just a block north of Highway No. 44 at Collister, 3 miles northwest of Boise. Visitors welcome. Glads in bloom July 15 to October 1.



